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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Brooks Bill

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1. Today [] staff, mentioned that the Comptroller General has made a recent ruling pertaining to the authority acquired by GSA under the so-called Brooks automatic data processing bill. [] is apparently gathering some facts on whether GSA's authority as interpreted by the Comptroller General would pose a problem to the Agency's ADP efforts.

2. I reminded [] that we had gone to some lengths to make legislative history in connection with the Brooks bill to the effect that this Agency in particular and the intelligence community in general should be exempted from the scope of the central authority to be exercised by GSA in the interest of assuring the security of intelligence sources and methods. I also mentioned that it was my belief that Mr. Houston had in fact been in touch with GSA during the consideration of the Brooks bill on the specific point of GSA regulations exempting CIA as GSA is authorized to do under the Brooks bill.

3. This matter is mentioned now with the thought that it may be timely to focus on the question of CIA exemption from GSA's regulation and control.

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